

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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For: METHOD FOR THE SEPARATION OF
PENTENITRILE ISOMERS

Examiner: Kosack, Joseph R.

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

In response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed November 14, 2008, Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1 to 10, with traverse.

Applicant directs the Office's attention to the fact that the above application is a 35 U.S.C. 371 Application of International Application No. PCT/EP2005/073174 and that the unity of the invention was not therein contested. Therefore, Applicant believes that the current objection (lack of unity) is improper, and respectfully requests that the Restriction Requirement be withdrawn.

An action on the merits of all the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.